

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable consideration of this application, as presently amended and in light of the following discussion, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-36 are presently pending in this application, Claims 1, 21, 23, 25 and 34-36 having been amended by the present amendment.

In the outstanding Office Action, Claims 21, 23, 25, 30, 31 and 34-36 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, for being indefinite. However, Claims 1-20, 22, 24, 26-29, 32 and 33 were indicated as allowed.

First, Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication that Claims 1-20, 22, 24, 26-29, 32 and 33 have been allowed.

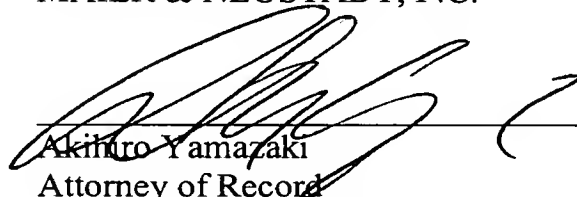
In response to the outstanding rejection, Claims 21, 23, 25 and 34-36 have been amended to clarify the subject matter recited therein. Therefore, Claims 21, 23, 25 and 34-36 are believed to be allowable along with Claims 1-20, 22, 24, 26-29, 32 and 33.

Claim 1 has been amended simply for formality and this amendment is not believed to alter the scope of Claim 1 in any way.

In light of the prior indication of allowable subject matter and in view of the amendments presented above, no further issues are believed to be outstanding, and the present application is believed to be in condition for allowance. If, however, the Examiner disagrees with any of the amendments presented above, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned who will be happy to work in a joint effort to derive a mutually agreeable solution and expedite the prosecution of this application. Applicants respectfully request an early and favorable action.

Respectfully submitted,

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